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Applicant(s):	Masaaki UENAKA et al.
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Title of Invention:	CRYSTAL OF SYNTHETIC INTERMEDIATE OF CARBAPENEM

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to commencing examination of the above-identified application, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested as follows:

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.